(ख) यदि हां, तो यह कितने समय से लम्बित पड़ी है और इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

जल संसाधन मंत्री (श्री विद्याचरण शुक्ल) : (क) और (ख) कैलों सिंचाई परियोजना की परियोजना रिपोर्ट तकनीकी-आर्थिक मूल्यांकन हेतु मई, 1988 में केन्द्र में प्राप्त हुई थी । राज्य सरकार ने बांध अभिकल्प, निर्माण सामग्री तथा भूजल के संबंध में मुद्दों को हल करना है । इसे पर्यावरण तथा वन मंत्रालय से पर्यावरण तथा वन दृष्टि से स्वीकृति, कोयले वाले क्षेत्र की जलमग्नता के वास्ते कोयला विभाग से सहमति तथा उड़ीसा सरकार से उनके सीमा क्षेत्र की भूमि जलमग्न होने के वास्ते सहमति भी प्राप्त करनी है ।

Utilisation of water from rivers

2695. DR. JINENDRA KUMAR JAIN:

SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in the 'Statesman' of February 6, 1992, under the caption '52 per cent surface water being utilised', and if so, what is the total quantity of water available to the country in a year from rivers and rainfall, and the quantity that is utilised;

(b) what is the quantity of water which remains unutilised and goes waste; and

(c) whether Government have prepared plans to utilise the water that is so far not utilised, and if so, what is the quantity of water out of the unutilised water at present which is likely to be utilised by the end of 1990s?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Out of 4000 cubic kilometres of average annual precipitation (snow and rainfall) received by the country, the utilisable water resources is assessed at 1140 cubic kilometres of which about 552 cubic kilometres is being presently utilised leaving 558 cubic kilometres of utilisable water as unutilised.

(c) 168 major and 288 medium irrigation projects envisaging increased utilisation of surface water are currently under implementation spilling over from the 7th Plan. The quantity of unutilised water which is likely to be utilised by the end of 1990s has not yet been assessed in the absence of finalisation of Eighth and subsequent plans.

Modernisation of Godavari Delta System

2696. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have cleared the "Modernisation of Godavari Delta System" in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) to (c) The modified project report on modernisation of Godavari Delta System in Andhra Pradesh estimated to cost Rs. 226 crores was received in the Central Water Commission in February, 1991 for techno-economic appraisal. It envisages remodelling of canals, lining of canals in selected reaches, providing gates to sluices, construction of masonry sluices in place of existing pipe sluices, providing communication links etc. The Screening Committee of Central Water Commission examined the report and opined that goal of modernisation and its justification are not clearly reflected in the report. Therefore, the